

**BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

In the Matter of:)	
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Request for Waiver)	
)	CC Docket No. 02-6
by)	
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Wapakoneta City School District)	
Wapakoneta, OH)	

TO: Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Wapakoneta City School District (“Wapakoneta”), by and through its authorized E-rate consultant, respectfully requests that the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” or “Commission”) grant it a Waiver of the FY2017 Form 471 filing deadline. This Request for Waiver is made pursuant to 54.719 through 54.723 of the Commission’s rules.¹

Basic Information:

Billed Entity Number:	130174
FCC Form 471 Application Number:	171027702
Funding Request Number:	1799111866

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.719–54.723

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STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF WAIVER

For Erate Funding Year 2016 Wapakoneta filed for the majority of its funding requests in its own Form 471 application, but it also filed one Category Two (“C2”) funding request (for Managed Internal Broadband Services – “MIBS”) as part of a consortium application. Due to a clerical/ministerial error that pertained to the source spreadsheet from which the FY2017 applications were prepared, when Wapakoneta posted its FY2017 FCC Form 470 #170070092, MIBS, having been previously on the consortium application, was inadvertently not included. The error/omission was discovered on April 19, 2017 and Wapakoneta immediately posted Form 470 #170082964 for MIBS, however, the late posting did not allow for waiting 28 days before the FY2017 Form 471 deadline of May 11, 2017. Remaining in compliance with this essential program requirement meant Wapakoneta had to wait until its allowable contract date of May 17, 2017 to evaluate and select a vendor, which it did; Form 471 #171027702 for MIBS was filed that same day, six (6) days after the May 11, 2017 filing window close. Wapakoneta’s other two FY2017 Forms 471 were timely filed so a filing deadline waiver is only being requested for the sole funding request for MIBS contained in Form 471 #171027702.

The Commission has repeatedly reiterated its authority under 47 C.F.R. §1.3 to waive rules for good cause shown and for the past number of years has routinely waived the filing deadline for late filed Forms 471 that were filed within 14 days of the close of the Window. *See, Requests For Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science et al* CC Docket No. 02-6, Order 25FCC Rcd 9256,9259, para 8 (2010) and more recently, *Streamlined Resolution of Requests Related to Action by the Universal Service Administrative Company, Dated May 31, 2017.*

Since Form 471 #171027702 was filed less than 14 days after the close of the Window, Wapakoneta respectfully requests the Commission to grant it a Waiver of the FY2017 filing deadline and allow its application considered for funding as though timely filed within the Window.

Thank you for your consideration.

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